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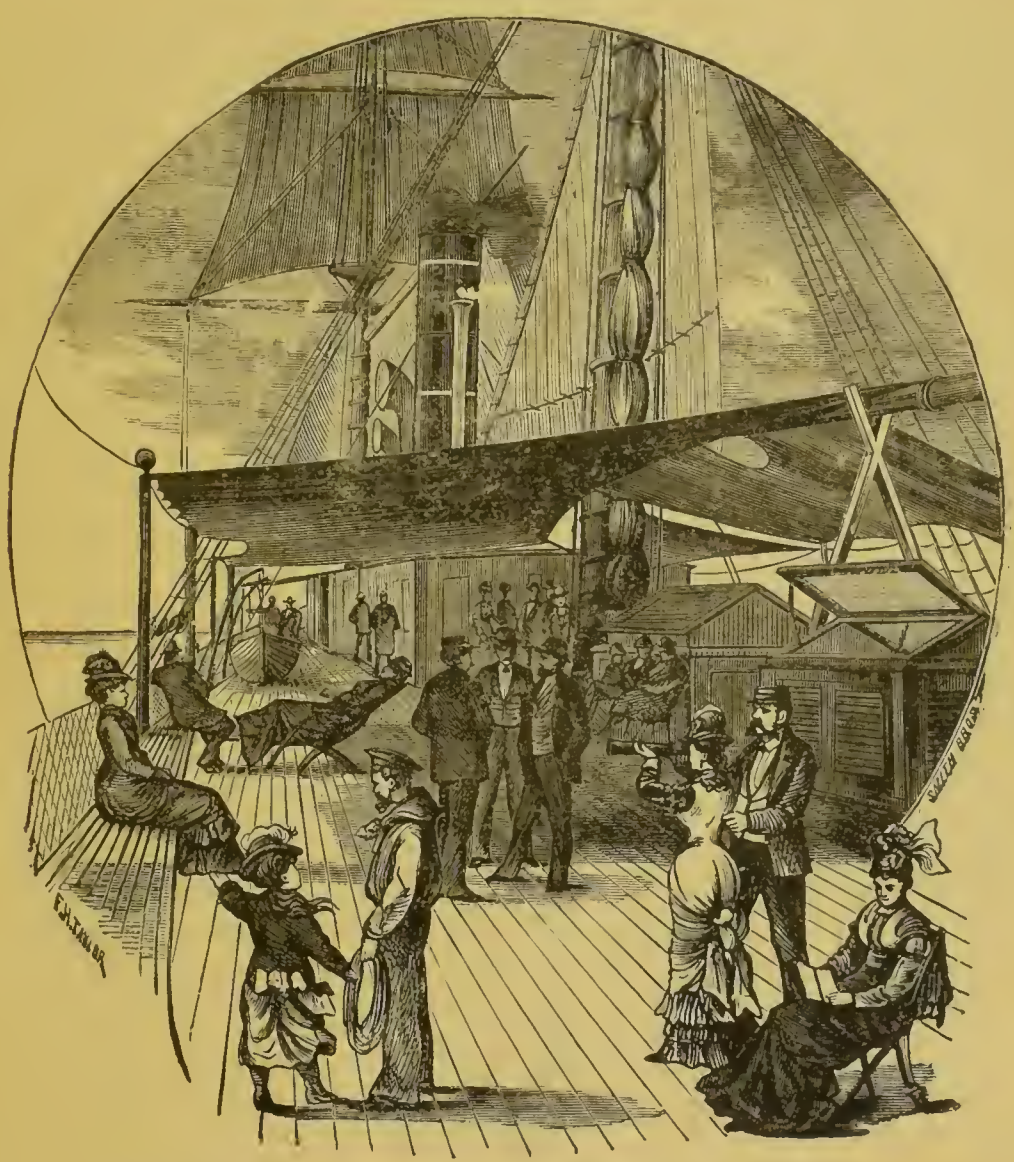
WANDERINGS OF A NUMISMATIST AT HOME AND ABROAD.

BY E. LOCKE MASON.



Where'er we go for numismatic news,
Abroad, or thro' our "Uncle Sam's" domain,
Gathering coins from Christians, or from Jews,
We'll here describe them for our reader's gain.
Mayhap we'll interlard the "coin talk" well,
With gibes and jokes, and many a story tell.

It was the day after the great "3-Day Centennial Inauguration of Washington," or chronologically speaking, May 2, 1889, that the writer and

his "better half" left New York City by the steamer "State of Nevada" for Glasgow, Scotland.

It was an inauspicious start for a long voyage: not only was the time selected rather early for ocean travel, and heavy storms and impenetrable fogs most likely to occur, but to draw it mild and express it strong, we were fatigued with sight-seeing the three previous days, — first, by standing in the centre of that unequalled wonder, the Brooklyn Bridge, on April 29, to view the "naval parade"; and, secondly, by leaning out of the second story windows of the Metropolitan Hotel on Broadway for seven long, weary hours, viewing the passing military procession on April 30, and its attending incidents; and, thirdly, by repeating the same thing on May 1 from the same *leaning point*. To be sure, the servants had covered the sill of the window with downy pillows, yet we look back to that painful position each occupied, with an idea that it was a *silly* way of earning nothing but stiff elbows and rheumatic joints. We must say, however, that those *three days' processions* were the most wonderful, and the most lengthy, and musical and beautiful of any we ever witnessed in Europe or America.

The plans for our numismatic trip had been arranged to include all the suffering and pleasure we have related, and advertisements of our presence in Europe, had been inserted in the London, Manchester, and Liverpool papers, announcing our desire to lay in a stock of American coins, medals, autographs, etc., and we left our good friends on the dock, our country in the rear, and, as before stated, dropped in on Scotland. We were ten days in crossing the ocean, and our companion thought the voyage was one hundred days, being a victim to sea-sickness during that long and weary voyage.

We found Glasgow a busy city and seemingly divided by the river Clyde, which courses between two closely built up cities, access to either being had by large and costly bridges and small steam ferry-boats.

A rest at the quiet Waverly Hotel, in Sanchehall street, kept by a namesake, a Mrs. Mason, whose attentions rendered our stay very pleasant. The next day, out we go to visit our friends, the coin, book, and curiosity dealers, and taking a "hansom" (cab), we are driven to the stores (shops in Scotland), where we find some rare and fine coins. An Oak Tree, or Massachusetts shilling of 1652, was the first coin bagged, and cost 12 shillings, or $3. Fine! cheap!!

(To be continued.)

Numismatists of the Past. — In the next issue of the Magazine we shall commence a series of sketches under the above title, embracing thirty years' of personal reminiscences of the editor.

The R. C. Davis Cabinet. — This coin collection, which was disposed of by auction recently, has a history, and we propose in a future number to relate some of the peculiar methods by which it passed from the Davis estate through various stages to the "auction block."

GOOD MORNING, FRIENDS.

As we were saying *(twenty-three years agone, this present month)* that "Coin collecting is a pleasant pastime, even if one does not realize its historical importance, or engage in it as a speculative industry," and we still insist that there's some glorious fun in it. Let us, *en passant*, tell a little anecdote, a true one, and names can be furnished to doubters. A large advertiser, a foreigner, has recently startled the country by opening a "Bank" (he is not a burglar, but on the contrary quite an intelligent gentleman, lacking only in numismatic lore and practical experience as a "coin dealer"). By "opening a bank," we would simply say, it was a "Numismatic Bank" that he opened, whatever that may mean; but all banks partake of a numismatic character; hence our new dealer is not far astray in his nomenclature. Well, a collector, well known in this ballywick, had a valuable half dime, one of the early United States rarities, and offered it to the above-named "Bank" for sale. The President, or presiding genius, who holds forth in a small office, about three flights up (the nearer to heaven the cheaper the rent) on the street named after the immortal George, of cherry tree fame, and somewhat noted as our country's paternal ancestor. The diminutive coin was handled and examined by the dealer for a few moments, when the following dialogue occurred: —

Dealer. — How mooch you vant for it?

Collector. — How would five dolls. strike you?

Dealer. — Vat, five dolls. for such a litte piece like dat. Why, my frent, dat is too small, and I would not gif two dollar for little bit coin like him.

Our friend, the collector, had to retire to the entry to give the concealed titter vent, and when the street was reached, he indulged in a guffaw that was heard in the *Daily Globe* office.

Lucky it was that a friend was near the two gentlemen at the time, or the above incident would have been lost to posterity. The collector will doutless offer "cart-wheel dollars" when he seeks again to sell coins to the "Numismatic Bank."

IF NOT, WHY NOT?

If the times are not ripe for the reissuing of our monthly coin journal, we would respectfully remove our *chapeau*, and politely request our readers to answer, "Why not?" The great Parmelee Cabinet of American coins is about to be dessemminated far and wide; the gems of nmmismatic beauty and value are to go from New England's shores, from Boston's famed city, perhaps never to be returned. Are not all numismatists agog, and in startling language crying, "What next?" Certainly the collectors of the world will be extremely anxious to know what this famous cabinet will fetch in cold cash, and who the lucky purchasers will be, whether all the unique numismatic diamonds, hitherto held by the plain, practical, plodding, persistent Parmelee, are to become the property of nations or individuals; or, whether

our indefatigable, never-say-die coin dealers, are to fatten their united hoards and swell their consumptive pocket books and infinitesimal bank balances, by bidding off the beautifully, bright, golden eagles and their next of kin; their copper-faced cousins, the sharp untouched series, that are worth ten times their weight in gold! Perhaps coin dealers are already laying up treasures in the shape of "greenbacks" and "standards," with a view to that future great sale to occur, where the auctioneer is known by his *bangs* and eloquent pleadings in behalf of pennies. Who is there among "our set" that is not anxious concerning the outcome of this unique "coin sale?"

Read our magazine and you will know what each coin realizes, and who the bold bidders are that bear away Parmelee's "blushing beauties." The report of the "Parmelee coin sale" and priced catalogue will be published in the columns of our journal, and all for "$2 per annum."

Again, what is the lookout regarding the newly designed United States coins with their Washington busts and spread eagles, now on the eve of distribution to the public at large? Watch our columns for illustrations and details of the new coinage; but *be sure and send a dollar* to become a subscriber and help us maintain the lively and interesting character of our old and loved coin journal, which illuminated the coin market and valiantly stood in the van of all similar publications (for independence and freshest numismatic news) from April, 1867, to April, 1872, and again from 1878 to 1886. Are you with us? If so, address all communications to MASON'S COIN COLLECTOR'S MAGAZINE, Box 2436, Post-office, Boston, Mass., U.S.A. Correspondence solicited.

UNLUCKY COIN DEALERS.

During the last year, quite a number of our largest dealers have been *watching* and *waiting*, long and patiently the movements of friend Parmelee, with a view of purchasing his beautiful coin cabinet; but Bro. H. P. Smith out-generalled the whole crowd, including Steigerwalt, the Chapmans, the N. Y. Stamp Co., via Bro. Low, various wealthy *side* coin dealers, Randall, Newlin, *et al.* All are now anxious to know the price paid, *if the collection was sold outright.* Steigerwalt was willing to bid $15,000; Chapmans, $20,000, and Bro. Low, for Bro. Calman, would see all the rest and chip up an extra thousand; but we understand $30,000 was refused, and Parmelee himself stands sponsor for the auction sale, expecting to realize at least $40,000 to $50,000. His copper cents alone were held at $10,000. Only think of it! The set, 1793, to 1857, with its types and varieties valued by the owner at $10,000, and the Am. colonial and U. S. gold coins cost about $15,000 making $25,000 as valued, and yet not one-half the value of the entire collection is reached by this large sum.

Seventy-five thousand dollars would have bought the entire collection and made a small hole in the surplus money bags of Uncle Sam; while $10,000 would have bought the large copper cents which as a series are unequalled in the world, and Uncle Sam's set of copper coins, it is well known, are not as fine as they should be.

Now comes the interesting fact which will mark the Parmelee coin sale, and that is that the prices realized at auction will be the standard for future reference, as regards quality, or the condition of the pieces.

We propose to watch the disposal and dispersion of this grand cabinet, and report the prices obtained at the sale for each piece, or set, or series, together with the names of buyers if obtainable, and publish the priced catalogue in the columns of this magazine. The catalogues of the Parmelee sale will doubtless be higher in price than any coin sale catalogue yet issued in the United States, and the book containing the plates will make the gills of a $5 greenback look pale and thin. Subscribers to our journal will appreciate the fact that in this volume we shall give them more than their money's worth in coin sale catalogues and other valuable information concerning the coin market.

OLD COINS WORTH $75,000.

The Unequalled Parmelee Collection Sold.

Coin Dealer E. Locke Mason was sitting in his little shop at 26 Exchange street, Boston, carefully scrutinizing a tarnished looking, circular bit of metal, when a *Herald* reporter entered recently, and asked if there was any truth in the rumor that there had been, within a few days, an important sale of old coins in this city. Instantly Mr. Mason was all animation, as he briskly turned toward his visitor and motioned him to a chair. "I should say that there had, my friend," said he, "and in all my thirty years' experience I have never known it to be equalled in importance. The collection just sold was valued at no less than $75,000. and was the property of Mr. Loring G. Parmelee, of No. 15 Chester Park, who, for twenty years, has been one of the most enthusiastic coin collectors whom I have ever known. It was his ambition to collect a perfect specimen of every American coin and medal ever issued in the United States, whether in gold, silver, bronze, copper or nickel — and his success was wonderful. His collection was the most perfect in the country, surpassing even that at the United States Mint in Philadelphia. You haven't space in the *Herald* to mention half the notable coins which he got together. Take, for instance, his silver dollar of 1804. It cost him $750, and when it is sold again, as it will be in May or June, it will probably bring $1500. There are only twelve of these coins in existence, and six of that number are restrikes — that is, they were struck from the original dies at a later date and have never been in circulation. Colonel Stickney, of Salem, has one of the originals; there was one in the Davis collection, which was recently sold in New York; another is in the possession of Mr. Walter, a wealthy corn merchant, of Liverpool, Eng.; Colonel Adams, of the Stark Mills, at Manchester, N. H., had a fifth, and Mr. William S. Appleton, of Beacon street, had the sixth. The six restrikes were struck surreptitiously, in the dead of night, at the Philadelphia Mint, about 1859, from the original dies. A great to-do was made about it at the time. These restrikes are in various parts of the country. Two of the 1804 dollars are exhibited in a securely fastened case at the Philadelphia

Mint. I think they are restrikes, though the Mint officials, I believe, consider them originals. I made a special journey from this country to Liverpool, a few years ago, to buy the dollar owned by Mr. Walter, but I came back empty-handed. He refused $1200 for it; in fact, he said that money was no object to him. He saw it in a broker's window in Liverpool and bought it for twelve shillings. He carries it as a pocket-piece, and as he is a man of wealth, he can gratify his taste by holding on to it if he likes. Mr. Appleton's coin, which I have mentioned, is known as the 'Mickley Dollar,' having been purchased by him for $750 at the auction sale of the Mickley collection in New York.

"But to go back to the Parmelee collection. Its most important department, intrinsically, was that of gold coins, it containing a specimen of every gold coin minted in the country from 1795, when the coinage of this class of money was begun, down to date. A large part of this portion of the collection was purchased by Mr. Parmelee from Mr. George Seavey, of Cambridge, a few years ago, for $15,000. It is believed to be the only complete assortment of the kind in the world. The Parmelee collection, too, contained about twenty-five absolutely unique pieces of United States and Colonial coinage, in gold, silver, and copper. These are worth anywhere from $500 to $1000 each. The government ought to have bought the collection, but the members of Congress, to whose attention it was brought, did not seem to appreciate the value of the treasures it contained, and so it was permitted to fall into private hands. The purchaser was a New York man, and I am informed that it is to be subdivided and sold at auction, in sections, in the coming May and June. It is too bad that this highly valuable collection should be again scattered, but such seems likely to be the case." — *Boston Daily Herald.*

CHATS WITH OUR CORRESPONDENTS,

Send us a letter, coin collectors, please,
From the "States," or o'er the briny seas;
Something new — *nu*-mismatic — say,
And we'll embalm it for a future day.

THE FIRST CASH-IN-ADVANCE SUBSCRIBER — The following brief, but *pointed* reply to our announcement of the proposed continuation of the COIN COLLECTORS' MAGAZINE, was received in March from a gentleman known to nearly all the readers of numismatic literature in Europe and America, and a former contributor to our old MAGAZINE. — [Editor.

PHILADELPHIA, March 22, 1890.

MASON & CO.:

Put my name down as a subscriber to the "new series" COIN COLLECTORS' MAGAZINE.

E. MARIS, M. D.

THE PARMELEE SALE. — Thanks to friend Smith for use of Parmelee circular, as below. — [Ed.

NEW YORK, March 22, 1890.

MASON & CO.:

Gentlemen, — Letter to hand, will send out circular about Parmelee collection next week; will forward one to you. You are at perfect liberty to use it in any manner you may see fit.

Yours truly, H. P. SMITH.

WM. LE FARGE, BALTIMORE, MD. — Volume XIII. is the present issue of our magazine, termed "NEW SERIES." Vol. I. to VI. (1867 to 1872 inclusive) formed the original six volumes of Mason's Monthly *Coin Collector's Magazine*; the semi-monthly *Numismatic Visitor* was next, a sort of supplementary volume to the magazine, forming Vol. VII.; then followed the *Philadelphia Coin Collector's Herald*, Vol. VIII., IX. and X., and *Quarterly Coin Collector's Magazine*, and finally the *Boston Coin Collector's Monthly Magazine*, 1884–'85. Thus, you see, we dub our present issue, Vol. XIII. Back numbers of magazine supplied previous to 1884 at 25c. each, all others 10c. each, if obtainable.

S. C. SAMUELS, PHILADELPHIA. — Send coins only to established coin dealers. We have been in the coin business continuously from 1860 to 1890 inclusive, a period of thirty years, and there are many other old, reliable dealers.

H. O., NEW YORK CITY. — There are three types of the Mass. Silver Coins of 1652, viz.: The "Willow Tree," "Oak Tree," and "Pine Tree," and these are of various shapes and sizes, clipped and unclipped. Mr. Stearns, of Massachusetts, has, we doubt not, the largest collection of types, and varieties of types, of these interesting and valuable early Massachusetts coins known. In a future number, we will present a classification of over one hundred different pieces.

P. L. T., PHILADELPHIA. — "What has become of A. M. Smith, who, a few years ago, was a dealer in coins and California wines at Sixth and Chestnut street, this city? I would also thank you for the address of G. H. Wells, of Boston, formerly a coin dealer here, and the absconding John Igo, who left debts and a bad name as a sort of legacy to certain numismatists, printers, etc., in this city."

Ans. Jacob Smith, whose business was conducted under the firm name of his wife, Annie M. Smith, removed to Minnesota a few years back and engaged in the "California Wine" trade. G. H. Wells, the gentleman associated with us in the coin business, 1868–'69, in your city, died a few years ago in Boston. John Igo, also deceased, in the West; so his cousin has stated to his creditors.

COLLECTOR, CHICAGO, ILL. — Send us your correct name and address, as we publish *facts*, not *inuendoes*.

B. S. JR., CAMDEN, N. J. — The coin you have described as a "Farthing" is probably the "*Voce Populi*, 1760 Half Penny." There are two of these copper coins that are placed among our American Colonials: viz.: The "Halfpenny" and the "Farthing," the latter quite rare.

NUMEROUS ENQUIRERS. — We have given elsewhere a reply to all your questions concerning the sale of the Parmelee cabinet of coins. It will be sold as the property of Loring G. Parmelee, your opinions to the contrary notwithstanding.

R. R. R., ST. LOUIS, MO. — All the 1804 dollars, advertised in the press, are alterations.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

TO SUBSCRIBERS. — The second number of this magazine will be issued after the auction sale of the "PARMELEE COIN COLLECTION." Circulars relating to the time and place have been sent by the managers of the sale to numismatists generally. It is our purpose to make the report of the Parmelee Coin Sale as perfect as possible, and give prices realized, and all details, with names of buyers *if possible.*

T. W. TILTON, NO. MIDDLEBORO', MASS. — This issue mailed to you as a gentle hint that contributions from your pen are desired and have always pleased in the past. Honored pedagogue, leave those classical studies for a while and let us hear from you in time for number II., vol. XIII.

A. R. MAYNARD, CHICAGO, ILL. — Your "quarter" received and magazine mailed. Regret to say that your wish to be "first on the subscription books," will not be realized. See article elsewhere, and note who was the first subscriber to the new series of our journal.

NUMISMATIC FRAUDS. — We solicit the addresses of all persons who have been victimized by a lot of "mushroom coin dealers," who are likely to be here to-day, but *tomorrow* where are they? In giving names, please add all particulars, and if losers in any way by the glittering announcement of "Agents wanted to earn $50 per week," or "$5,000,00 PAID FOR AN AMERICAN COIN OF 1848," send us the facts, and we will stand all the suits for libel that can be instituted, and bring down the scoundrels engaged in this petty swindling.

AUCTION COIN SALES. — Mason & Co.'s "13th Boston Coin Sale," was brought to a satisfactory conclusion on March 12th. The previous twelve auction sales were all concluded with success; in fact the attendance at these sales far exceeded in numbers any of the large New York sales, there being at times over one hundred persons present. Catalogues will be sent to all subscribers hereafter when there is no fixed price for same, as occurred in the Davis sale. The 14th Boston Sale May 14.

ANOTHER NEW HAMPSHIRE COPPER. — The cashier of a bank in Portsmouth, N. H., has exhibited to us another specimen of these rare and valuable Colonials, of which there are three varieties, all from the early die sinker, Moulton. Obv. the legend "American Liberty" around a pine tree, date 1776. Rev. a harp. The coin is in fair condition. Mason & Co. offered $50 for it, but the owner declined the offer, saying "It is not for sale."

THE FAMOUS PARMELEE COIN COLLECTION.

What has been talked of for a twelvemonth has at last come true, viz.: A "sale by auction of the well known magnificent and unique cabinet of American coins and medals, the property of Loring G. Parmelee, of Boston, Mass.," and it is now in the hands of H. P. Smith, New York City, undergoing the preliminary process of being catalogued for a public auction sale next month. At an interview with Mr. Parmelee recently, we learned that after a long and bitter struggle with his feelings to maintain intact his unequalled coin collection, and at heart loth to part with it, he finally consented to a sale, arguing that at his age, being past three-score and ten, and the constant fears of his family that he might be robbed as Mr. Mickley was, and perhaps murdered, he broke down, and with trembling limbs and tearful eyes, he saw his treasures packed and shipped to the city of New York. Mr. Parmelee informs us that all his varied series of American Colonial, and United States coins will be sold without a break, and that each of his wonderful, valuable unique coins, patterns, or experimental pieces, will be sold to the highest bidder.

As there are about 3000 pieces in the Parmelee Cabinet, the auction sale will cover the larger part of the week, perhaps five or six days, and the catalogue will be a grand one, printed on specially manufactured paper, and the plates representing the choicest and rarest gems, will number about twelve full pages. Several catalogues will be issued; one of which will be for auction use. One with heavy tinted paper and wide margins, and one with heliotype, or photo-lithograph representations of the sparkling numismatic diamonds contained in this aggregation of our country's coinage.

It is really annoying to an American numismatist to know that the United States government allowed this perfect collection of its coinage, and the collection of pieces particularly appertaining to our early history, both Colonial and Continental, to be auctioned off to the highest bidder, and many pieces *not in the United States Cabinet at the Philadelphia Mint*, to be sent broadcast over the world, and eventually find a resting place in the British or other foreign museum or cabinets.

[The following letter received from a distinguished numismatist requires a a few remarks, which we will add after presenting the letter which follows. —Ed.]

Brooklyn, N. Y., March 31, 1890.

Mr. E. Locke Mason:

I am informed that an interview with you was published recently in the *Boston Herald* which stated that a dollar of 1804 is now held by Mr. Walters of Liverpool, and that you visited Mr. Walters several years ago and saw it. Will you kindly give me any information in regard to this piece which you may possess. I presume you are aware that I have endeavoured to ascertain the "pedigree" of each 1804 dollar known, and have given the history of eleven in the *Numismatic Journal* in April number 1887 and April, 1888.

I have traced two more since, whose pedigree I have not yet published, and would like to ascertain the particulars of this one to add to the list. I knew when I published my first list that there was one in Liverpool, but did not know its owner's name.

The article from the *Herald* alluded to above, reports you to say: "Col. Adams of Manchester, N. H. had one. Phineas Adams paid W. Haseltine $550 for this piece. Mr. Adams sold it to Mr. Henry Ahlborn of Boston, from whom the present owner, J. P. Lyman, obtained it, with a full set of American dollars, for the sum of $1800."

The article also says "there was one in the Davis collection which was recently sold in New York." If you will refer to the catalogue of the sale of the Davis collection, you will find No. 453 described 1804 dollar "*an altered date and poor*," and sold for $4.25.

An early reply is respectfully requested.

Yours truly,
J. A. Nexsen.

In reply to our worthy correspondent, we would say that the writer visited England in the summer of 1879 and made many persistent efforts to obtain Mr. Walter's 1804 dollar, believing at that time that it was an issue from the old dies of that date (surreptitiously struck off in 1859 or '60 at the U. S. mint in Philadelphia). Since investigating the matter more thoroughly and having the benefit of impressions of both the original 1804 dollars and Mr. Waters piece, we are led to believe that the latter was one of the numerous altered dates which were frequently seen in England, an 1801 dollar changed very skillfully to an 1804. One variety of the 1801 dollar bears a very close copy to the 1804; hence the difficulty in deciding between them.

Had we purchased the Liverpool 1804 dollar there would have been no loss, as it was to be returned if not from 1804 dies.

OLD AND TRUE FRIENDS.

It gives us great pride and pleasure to receive so many kind replies to the published notice of the resuscitation of "*Mason's Coin Collectors' Magazine*," and as these communications contain cash subscriptions, there is an additional reason to be *proud* and *pleased; proud* of the position we are to occupy in catering to the wants of the numismatic fraternity, and *pleased* to know that our efforts while conducting the old numismatic journals, that bore our name were and are appreciated by those collectors, who, *twenty-three years ago* united with us in the support and publication of the first *Coin Collectors' Magazine* issued in the United States (April 1867), and enabled us with the assistance of the large number of patrons who followed, to issue that magazine monthly, from 1867 to 1872 inclusive. We thank you one and all, and our fondest hope is to make this journal a *weekly* publication ere many months roll around. With the reader's assistance *we can do it*. We issue a great many of this, the first number of the "New Series," and send to collectors in every State in the Union.

COIN EXCHANGE DEPARTMENT.

[Any article of merchandise can be exchanged through this office by the payment of 1c per word for each exchange inserted. Each advertiser will be given a number.—Ed.]

Come, let us swap in true Yankee style,
Anything not wanted — it matters not
Whether a house, book, coat, coin or "tile,"
We may get something we have not got.

No. 1. — The writer has a small, $15 diamond ring, suitable for a lady. If any collector will send Mason & Co. a list of coins to be exchanged for the ring, will doubtless trade. T. A., Lowell, Mass.

No. 2. — A good 1793 cent offered for any cent uncirculated prior to 1814. S. P. W., Chelsea, Mass.

No. 3. — A small sail boat, valued at $35, will be given for a full set U. S. cents, and delivered at any sea port or point within 100 miles of Boston. Numa, Boston, Mass.

No. 4. — The undersigned will exchange a black full-dress suit (new), waist 36, for coins. L. G. Jr., Brookline, Mass.

No. 5. — 1796 half-cent, good but dark in color, and an 1811 cent, good, will be given for a good 1799 cent. P. M., Revere, Mass.

No. 6. — A seal skin cap, new, size 6 7-8, for good silver dimes, 1805, 1807, 1809 and 1811. S. S. S., Boston, Mass.

IN MEMORIAM.

BY E. L. MASON.

Robert Coulton Davis, the distingnished numismatist, whose decease occurred recently, and whose valuable cabinet of coins, medals, early American imprints, autographs, letters, etc., were chiefly sold by auction, and the smaller portion dispersed by private sale, was one of the earliest patrons while the writer was engaged in the coin business in 1860, at 451 (old number) North Second Street, Philadelphia. This store was the property of Prof. M. W. Dickinson, the well known numismatist. "Dr. Davis," or "Robert" as his friends familiarly termed him, was a persevering, methodical, prompt and unusually gifted gentleman, whose knowledge on the "hobbies" of the world was remarkable in the extreme. As an expert upon autographs, coins, paintings, early prints, old china, bank bills, etc., he had few equals. Gentlemanly and considerate in his treatment of individuals, Dr. Davis became popular every where and with every body he met; his society being courted by many learned men, among them some of the highest officers of the United States government.

We will always remember, or till memory becomes a blank, one occasion in 1860, when Dr. Davis brought the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania up to our little store and introduced him as "one of the leading numismatists

and individuals in the State, Gov. Wm. F. Packer, of Pennsylvania." The latter was a very tall and handsome man, dressed in a plain black suit, and seemed as suave and sociable as any patron we ever met. Gov. Packer purchased the extremely rare half cents from us at this time, and became a regular patron up to his decease, a few years ago.

Frequently after this introduction, we met the Governor at Dr. Davis' drug store, S. W. cor. 16th and Vine streets, Philadelphia, where were wont to meet the expert collectors and dealers of the past; among them, Randall, Newlin, Mickley, Jenks, Dickinson, Hoffman, Cogan, Kline, Mason, Wells, the Chapmans, Howard, Hazeltine, the Warners, and scores of others in all the varied branches of antique and modern "hobbies." Dr. Davis was well and favorably known in Europe, and his opinion as an expert was much sought after, not alone by the amateur collector, but by many notables among judges, generals, congressmen and citizens, whose researches often led them to consult the ever willing dispenser of historical and other facts, which he collected, classified and labelled with an assiduity born of tact, taste and an intuitive knowledge of history, natural philosophy, geology, physiology, and many other sciences and arts.

The loss of such a patron of the arts and sciences was great, but greater to his associates in the numismatic following, and greatest to his close relations and friends. For over a quarter of a century Dr. Davis was a patron of Mason & Co., and the writer's warmest friend. Nearly two-thirds of the Davis Cabinet recently sold in New York (embracing the regular United States series of gold, silver, and copper coins) were furnished by the above firm; notably the beautiful United States half dime of 1802, now valued at nearly four hundred dollars. The fine antique gold staters of the Cæsers were also obtained of Mason & Co.

In conclusion we would say that life is worth the living when such worthy gentlemen, such as the late R. Coulton Davis represented, surround us, and shed their happy influence over the daily acts of our life, making our struggles on this earth more pleasing, and our hearts more open to benevolence, good will and *brotherly* love.

NEW DESIGNS FOR U. S. COINS.

On the 25th day of last February, the House of Representatives at Washington passed a bill permitting the U. S. Mint Director to make new designs for our country's coinage.

The Senate, at previous sessions, having passed similar bills, there seems scarcely a doubt but a change will be made, and newly designed coins appear the present year.

The designs will probably follow the bust and eagle patterns. Let us hope that Washington's portrait adorns the obverse of the new silver coins, and an eagle and stars on the reverse, with the usual legends to complete the work.

NUMISMATIC ODDITIES.

COLLATED BY E. L. M.

If peculiar coinage you should chance to see,
Novel "over-strikes," or other odd *mis cues*,
Or those over which collectors disagree,
Send us the facts and below we 'll print the news.

PECULIAR VARIETY OF THE U. S. 1793 CENT.

We have a wreath cent of 1793, the reverse of which is different from the wreath '93, which has the ornamental dotted lines interwoven with the laurel wreath. This specimen, which is very distinct on all portions of the coin, has apparently three clover or oak leaves on the left portion of wreath and two on the right. It also has a distinct dot, period or mint mark, dividing the letters *cent* in this manner CE·NT. Will collectors please examine their wreath '93 cents and report result, as it is possible that the reverse above named may prove to be unique.

A DOUBLE-HEADED U. S. 1804 HALF CENT.

A peculiar over-strike, or double-headed half cent came into our possession recently. The obverse has two distinct, nearly full-sized busts of Liberty, while the reverse is the ordinary "no stems to wreath" variety and is struck very evenly without a mark of over-strike. The piece is in fine condition.

INCUSED U. S. COINS.

There have been exhibited to us by a clergyman from Woburn, Mass., two incused reverses of the 1793 (wreath) and 1799 U. S. cents, the reverse sides bearing the obverse impressions. Both well preserved and of full weight. — Ed.

NUMISMATIC EXCURSIONS.

During April Mr. Mason, managing member of the firm of Mason & Co., will make a number of numismatic excursions through New England, Connecticut and New York State. If collectors on the line of the Boston & Albany, Hartford & New Haven Railroads, and those near the Hudson River and Shore Line Railroads, as well as the Ulster & Delaware Railroad, will send their wants in the coin line to this office they will have a chance to examine and select some fine, rare and cheap pieces. Mr. M. will also purchase or exchange coins. Look for him about the middle of April.

The Numismatists of the Past. — In the next number of this magazine we shall commence a series of sketches under the above title. These "papers" will embrace thirty years of personal reminiscences of the writer, and include many prominent numismatists living and a number that have passed away — from J. J. Mickley, deceased, to L. G. Parmelee, late owner of the finest American Colonial and U. S. cabinet of coins in the world.

AUCTION COIN SALES.

Under this caption find the latest sale,
With the prices realized, when fine or rare,
We'll get the news by telegram or mail,
That readers may with other sales compare.

MARCH 12. — "Mason's Thirteenth Boston Coin Sale" came off at Bird & Co.'s Auction Rooms, with a very large attendance, as usual, and like its dozen predecessors was a success. The following were among the fine and rare pieces sold, viz. :

Lot 102,	1793 Wreath ct., good	$4.00
" 103,	1793 Chain " "	4.00
" 150,	1795 Fillet H'd dollar, fine, ...	4.00
" 151,	1798 Small Eagle dollar, 13 stars, good, . .	4.25
" 157,	1794 Half dollar, good, ...	3.25
" 159,	1801 " " fine, ...	6.88
" 160,	1802 " " very fine, ...	7.25
" 161,	1803 " " unc., ...	3.13
" 162,	1807 " " "	3.12

FUTURE COIN SALES.

APRIL 16, 17 AND 18, Woodward, New York, will sell the Forbes and the Day cabinets. There are a number of desirable pieces in the catalogue which can be had by buyers and subscribers addressing this office. We receive bids at 10 per cent. for this "THREE DAYS' COIN SALE."

TO BANKERS AND OTHERS. — Gold dollars of any date are wanted at a good premium at this office.

COIN COLLECTIONS catalogued for auction sales in Philadelphia, New York, Boston or elsewhere.

Clubs of five subscribers sent in one lot will entitle the getter up of club to a year's subscription free.

CONTRIBUTORS. — We trust our old correspondents and contributors will air their views numismatically in the columns of this journal as of yore.

SAMPLE MAGAZINES.

We mail a large number of this magazine to those who have shown by letter that they were interested in publications of this kind. Will those who do not wish to subscribe by sending $1 for one year, or 25c for the first number, please remail after reading to 26 Exchange st., Boston, and oblige the publishers.

COINS FOR SALE.

If wanted, many bargains here are found,
Even to "slugs," octagonal and round;
And dollars, halves, dimes and other pieces,
Fine or fair — daily the stock increases.

PRIVATE COLLECTOR'S LOT.

California $50 gold piece, octagonal, good,	$65.00
" " " " round, "	75.00
1793 U. S. ct., wreath, extra good,	6.00
1793 " " " extra fine,	36.00
1793 " " chain, Ameri., extra good,	10.00
1793 " " Liberty cap, fair,	4.00
1799 " " good date, otherwise fair,	12.00
1799 " " very fair, dark,	10.00
1836 U. S. dollar, Gobrecht on base, proof,	12.00
1836 " " " in field, "	46.00
1838 " " brilliant proof,	$75.00 to 85.00
1839 " " very fine to proof,	40.00 to 46.00
1851 " " brilliant proofs,	54.00 to 56.00
1852 " " " "	54.00 to 56.00
1858 " " extra fine to proofs,	36.00 to 46.00

Several series of American coins will be catalogued and pieces sent out on approval. Parties receiving catalogues will please name pieces wanted, when an exact description will be given of same, or coin forwarded to reliable parties on approval.

MASON & CO., Coin Dealers,
26 Exchange st.,
Boston, Mass.

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To be placed at the WORLD'S FAIR in 1893, will be modelled from her portrait. Every woman in the country is interested in this statue to be erected by the women of our country and everybody will want a copy of Isabella's portrait. These Art Etchings, 6x9 inches, on heavy paper, can only be obtained from us. (Copyright secured.) By sending 25 cents we will send one portrait and the Ladies' Fashion Journal for three months. Address

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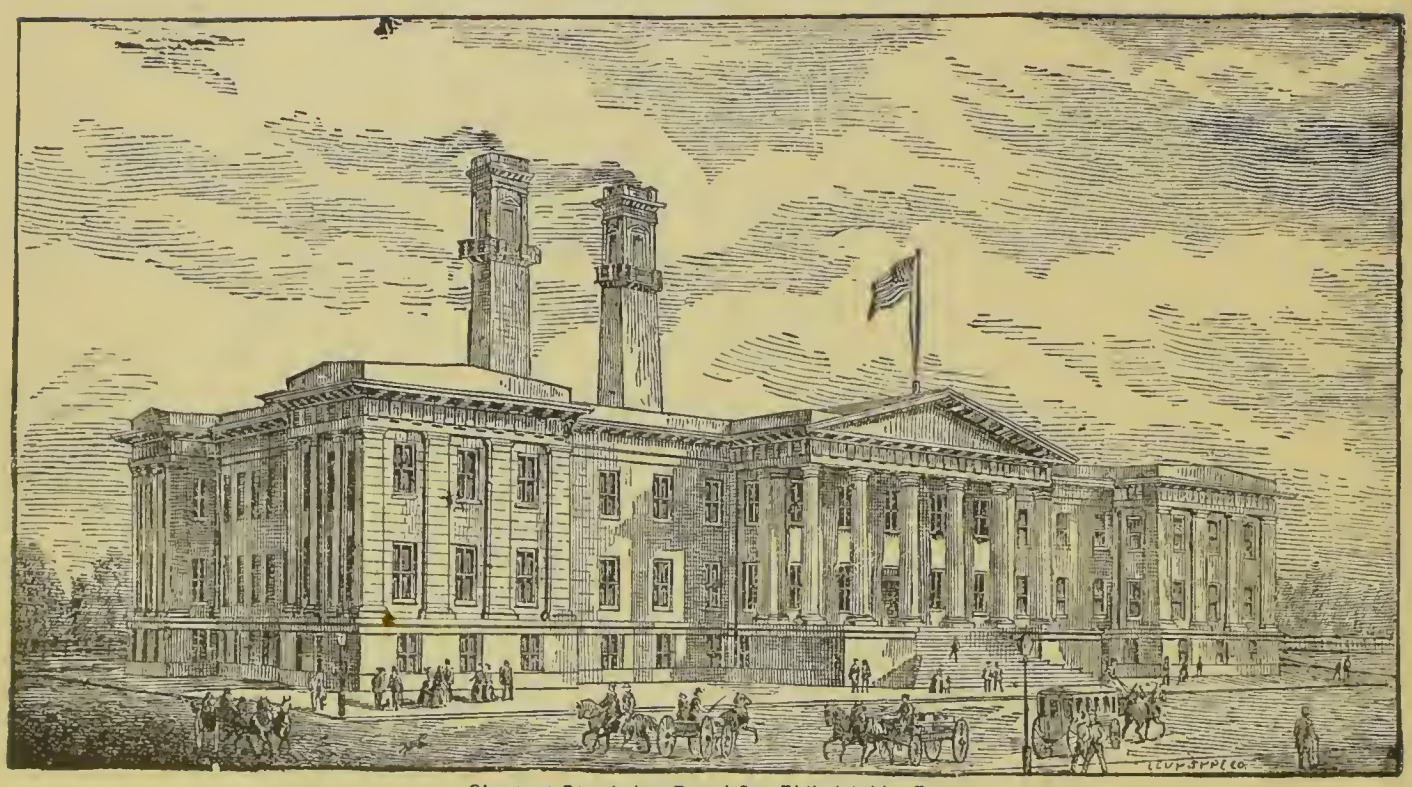

Chestnut St., below Broad St., Philadelphia, Pa.

COIN SALE.

Mason & Co.'s 14th Boston Coin Sale will take place at Bird & Co.'s spacious auction rooms, 32 Bromfield St., on Wednesday Afternoon, May 14, at 2 o'clock. There are some rare and fine U. S. gold coins, silver dollars, halves, quarters, dimes and half dimes in this sale; also some cents for dealers, prior to 1814, in very nearly uncirculated condition, and good to very fine American Colonial coins. Catalogues will be mailed to all our subscribers and patrons.

A NEW COIN FOR ALL AMERICA.

At Washington, April 2, the committee on monetary convention of the Pan-American conference agreed upon the following recommendations, which the conference adopted:

First—That an international American monetary union be established.

Second—That, as a basis for this union, an international coin or coins be issued, which shall be uniform in weight and fineness, and which may be used in all the countries represented in this conference.

PARMELEE SALE.

NEW YORK, April 4, 1890.

Mason & Co.:

GENTS:—No date can *positively* be set yet for the Parmelee sale. You can say *about June 1*, as it must be in that vicinity. We are cataloguing it as rapidly as possible. Yours,

D. PROSKEY.

COIN PRICE CURRENT.

[We shall make every exertion to fill orders from this list, but would solicit our patrons to name other pieces wanted when a special piece cannot be obtained.]

GOLD COLONIAL COINS.

	Sell.	*Buy.*
1785, Justice-eye, "Immune Columbia".....	$500.00	$500.00
1787, Sun-eagle, "Nova Eboraca,".....	300 00	150.00

SILVER COLONIALS.

1652, N. E. XII, New-England shilling.....	35.00	25.00
1652, " VI, " sixpence.....	40.00	20.00
1652, " III, " threepence...	100.00	40.00
1650, Pinetree XII, "Masathusets" shilling..	50.00	20.00
1652, " " " "	10.00	5.00
1652, " Smaller and thicker "	8.00	3.00
1652, " XII, "Masatusets" "	15.00	8.00
1652, " VI, "Masathusets" sixpence...	15.00	5.00
1652, " III, " threepence,	15.00	5.00
1652, " II, " twopence..	15.00	5.00
1652, Oaktree XII, " shilling....	5.00	3.00
1652, " VI, " sixpence...	6.00	4.00
1652, " III, " threepence,	8.00	4.00
1662, " II, " twopence..	8.00	4.00
1662, " I, " penny	30.00	10.00
1659, head shield, Lord Baltimore shilling....	15.00	10.00
1659, " " " sixpence...	20.00	10.00
1659, " " " fourpence .	20.00	10.00
1760, Charles III. rose, Florida half dollar...	30.00	20.00
1773, George III. shield, Virginia shilling ...	10.00	6.00
1783, U. S. 1000-eye, "Nova Constellatio"...	200.00	100.00
1783, " 500-eye, "Nova Constellatio" quarter dollar.....	150.00	75.00
1785, justice-eye, "Nova Constellatio" quarter dollar.....	100.00	50.00
1783, hands clasped, Annapolis shilling.....	15.00	5.00
1783, " " " sixpence.....	15.00	8.00
1783, " " " threepence...	15.00	8.00
1790, head Standish Barry threepence.....	25.00	10.00
1796, female head, "Castorland" half dollar.	2.00	1.50

TIN COLONIAL.

1690, horseman-shields, James II. tin piece..	3.00	1.50
1776, Sun-dial, "Continental Currency".....	15.00	5.00

COLONIAL COPPER COINS.

1616, hog-ship, "Sommer Islands" shilling..	-	300.00
1616, " " " sixpence.	-	400.00
1694, elephant, "God preserve Carolina," half dollar.....	40.00	20.00
Elephant "God preserve New England," half dollar.....	150.00	50.00
Elephant, "God preserve London," half dollar.....	2.50	1.50
1721, 2 L's, "Col's Francoises," Louisiana half dollar.....	2.50	1.00
1722, 2 L's, "Col's Francoises," Louisiana half dollar.....	2.50	1.00
1767, 2 L's "Col's Francoises," stamped R.F. Louisiana half dollar	2.00	1.00
1767, 2 L's, "Col's Francoises," without R.F. Louisiana half dollar	4.00	1.50
1766, head ship, no stamps, Pitt halfpenny ..	2.50	1.50
1773, George III. shield, Virginia halfpenny.	1.00	0.25
1773, " " smaller size, Virginia halfpenny.....	0.75	0.25
U. S. A. 13 bars, Bar cent	3.50	2.00
1722, Geo. I. rose, "Rosa Americana," penny,	4.00	1.50
1722, " " " " halfpenny,	2.50	1.00
1722, " " " " farthing,	3.00	1.50
1722, " " " " farthing,	4.00	2.00
1723, George I. rose, not crowned, "Rosa Americana," farthing.....	15.00	5.00
George I. rose, "Rosa sine spina," halfpenny.....	30.00	15.00
1723, George I. crowned rose, "Rosa Americana," penny.....	4.00	2.00
1723, George I. crowned rose, "Rosa Americana," halfpenny	2.50	1.50
1724, George I. crowned rose, "Rosa Americana," halfpenny	15.00	10.00
1725, George I. crowned rose, "Rosa Americana," farthing	2.50	1.50
1725, George I. crowned rose, "Rosa Americana," halfpenny	5.00	3.00
1733, George II. crowned rose, "Rosa Americana," penny.....	30.00	20.00
1737, deer hammers, "Connecticut" cent....	40.00	20.00

COLONIAL COPPER COINS—

	Sell.	*Buy.*
1737, deer-hammers, "I am good copper," cent,	$40.00	$20.00
1739, deer-hammers, "I am good copper," Granby cent.....	40.00	20.00
1737, deer-hammers, "Connecticut," Granby cent.....	40.00	20.00
1737, deer-hammers, axe, "I cut my way through" Granby cent	40.00	20.00
No date, axe, "I cut my way through," Granby cent.....	40.00	20.00
1778, head Indian, "Non dependens," cent..	25.00	15.00
1783, U. S. eye, "Nova Constellatio," cent...	1.00	0.40
1783, " "Nova Constellatio," cent...	1.00	0.30
1785, U. S. eye, "Nova Constellatio," cent...	1.00	0.40
1783, Liberty caged, "Georgius Triumpho," et.	3.00	1.25
1787, Indian-stars, "Inimica Tyrannis," cent,	40.00	20.00
1785, " stars in circle, "Inimica Tyrannis," cent	40.00	20.00
Scroll-triangle, Kentucky cent.....	3.50	2.00
" lettered edge, Kentucky ct.	3.50	2.00
1796, Britannia-children, British settlements.	25.00	15.00
1787, Indian-eagle, Massachusetts cent.....	1.00	0.40
1787, " " half cent ..	3.00	1.25
1788, " " cent.....	1.00	0.50
1788, " " half cent ..	3.00	1.25
1787, sun-dial links, "We are one," Franklin et.	0.50	0.25

New York Cents.

1786, head, Justice, "Non vi virtute vici"....	75.00	40.00
1787, Indian-eagle, "Neo Eboracus".....	50.00	30.00
1787, " arms of N.Y., "Excelsior"	40.00	20.00
1787, Geo. Clinton, " "	50.00	25.00
1786, eagle, " "	60.00	30.00
1787, " " "	60.00	30.00
1787, Justice-eagle, "Immunis Columbia"...	8.00	4.00
1787, head, Liberty to right, "Nova Eborac,"	2.00	0.50
1787, " " to left, " "	2.00	0.75

Vermont Cents.

1785, head, Justice, "Immune Columbia"...	15.00	10.00
1785, Justice-eye, " " ...	25.00	15.00
1785, sun-eye, "Vermonts Respublica"	3.00	1.00
1785, " "Vermontis Respublica"	5.00	2.00
1786, " "Vermontensium Respublica,"	2.50	1.00
1786, head, Britannia "Vermon Auctori"...	0.60	0.30
1887, " " " "	0.50	0.25
1788, " " " "	0.75	0.30
1786, Baby head, Britannia "Vermon Auctori,"	1.50	0.50
1787, head, Britannia "Vermon," "Et lib Inde,"	1.00	0.50
1787, " " " "Britannia,"	1.00	0.40
1787, " " Geo. III. "rex. Inde et lib"	2.00	1.00

New Jersey Cents.

1786, horse head, shield, "Nova Cæsarea" ..	1.00	0.30
1786, " " " (date under beam) "Nova Cæsarea".....	60.00	30.00
1787, horse head, shield, large size "Nova Cæsarea"	0.60	0.25
1787, horse head, shield, smaller, "Nova Cæsarea"	0.30	0.10
1787, horse head, shield, "E pluribs" "Nova Cæsarea"	2.00	1.00
1788, horse head, shield "Nova Cæsarea"...	0.50	0.25
1788, " " " Fox type, "Nova Cæsarea.....	1.50	0.40
1788, horse head to left, shield, "Nova Cæsarea.....	4.00	1.00
1787, Justice-shield, "Immunis Columbia"..	25.00	15.00

Connecticut Cents.

1787, head to right, Britannia, "Auctori Connec"	0.25	0.10
1785-6-8, head to right, Britannia, "Auctori Connec"	0.50	0.20
1785, (Negro head) Britannia "Auctori Connec"	1.00	0.50
1785, (Laughing head), " " "	1.50	0.75
1785, head to left, " " "	0.50	0.20
1786-7-8, " " "	0.50	0.25
1786-7, " " "Et lib Inde Connec"	1.00	0.50
1787-8, " " "Auctori Connec"	1.00	1.30

There are many more minor types of the Ct. and N. J.

SILVER DOLLARS.

(V. Fine.)	Sell.	Buy.
1794, flowing hair	$125.00	$80.00
1795, " "	3.00	2.00
1795, fillet head	3.50	2.50
1796	4.00	3.00
1797, 6 stars facing	5.00	3.50
1797, 7 stars facing	4.00	3.50
1798, 13 " small eagle,	6.00	4.00
1798, 15 " " "	12.00	8.00
1798, 13 " large eagle,	2.50	2.00
1799, 5 " facing	7.00	5.00
1799, 6 " "	2 00	1.60
1800, spread eagle	3.06	2.00
1801	5.00	3.50
1802	4.00	3.00
1803	3.00	2.00
1804	-	500.00
1836, name in field	40.00	23.00
1836, flying eagle	16.00	6.00
1838, " "	50.00	25.00
1839, " "	30.00	20.00
1840, Liberty seated	2 25	1.60
1841	2.00	1.60
1842	2.00	1.60
1843	2.25	1.60
1844	2.00	1.00
1845	2.50	2.00
1846	2.00	1.50
1847	1.75	1.50
1848	3.00	2.25
1849	1.75	1.50
1850	4.00	3.00
1851	40.00	30.00
1852	40.00	30.00
1853	4.00	3.00
1854	8.00	6.00
1855	6 00	4.00
1856	5.00	4.00
1857	4 00	3.00
1858	40.00	30.00
1859	1.50	1.40
1860	1.80	1.50
1861	1.80	1.50
1862	1.80	1.50
1863	1.80	1.50
1864	1.80	1.50
1865	1.80	1.50
1866	2.00	1.60
1867	1.80	1.50
1868	2.00	1.75
1869	1.50	1.40
1870	1.50	1.40
1871	1.50	1.40
1872	1.30	1.25
1873	2.00	1.60
1873, trade dollar	2.00	1.50
1874 " "	1.75	1.40
875 " "	1.50	1.40
1876 " "	1.20	1.15
1877 " "	1.20	1.10
1878 " "	1.20	1.15
1879 to 1884, proofs	2.00	1.75

HALF DOLLARS.

1794, flowing hair	8.00	5.00
1795 " "	2.50	1.50
1796, 15 stars	75.00	50.00
1796, 16 "	100.00	60.00
1707, 15 "	75.00	40.00
1801, fillet head	8 00	5.00
1802	10.00	8.00
1803	3.00	1.50
1805	3.00	1.50
1806	1.50	1.25
1807	1.50	1.25
1807, head to left	2.00	1.50
1808	2.00	1.00
1809	1.00	0.75
1810	1.00	0 75
1811	1.25	0.75
1812	1.00	0.75
1813	1.00	0.75
1814	1.00	0.75
1815	8.00	5 00
1817	0.75	0.60
1818	0.75	0.60
1819	0.75	0.60
1820	0.75	0.60
1821	0.75	0.60
1822	0.75	0.60

HALF DOLLARS—Continued.

(V. Fine.)	Sell.	Buy.
1823	$0.75	$0.60
1824	0.75	0.60
1825	0.75	0.60
1826	0.70	0.60
1827	0.70	0.60
1828	0.70	0.60
1829	0 70	0.60
1830	0.70	0.60
1831	0.70	0.60
1832	0.70	0.60
1833	0.70	0.60
1834	0.70	0.60
1835	0.70	0.60
1836, lettered edge	0.70	0.60
1836, milled "	5.00	3.00
1837	0.70	0.60
1838	0.70	0.60
1839	0 70	0.60
1839, Liberty seated	0.70	0.60
1840	0.70	0.60
1841	1.00	0.75
1842	0.75	0.60
1843	0.75	0.60
1844	0.75	0.60
1845	0.75	0.60
1846	0.75	0.60
1847	0.75	0.60
1848	0.75	0.60
1849	0.75	0.60
1850	0.75	0.60
1851	3.00	2.00
1852	8.00	5.00
1853	0.70	0.60
1854	0.70	0.60
1855	0.70	0.60
1856	0.70	0.60
1857	0.70	0.60
1858	0.75	0.60
1859	0.75	0.60
1860	0.75	0.60
1861	0.75	0.60
1862	0.75	0.60
1863	0.75	0.60
1864	0.75	0.60
1865	0.75	0.60
1866	0.75	0.60
1867	0.75	0.60
1868	0.75	0.60
1869	0.75	0.00
1870	0.75	0.60
1871	0.75	0.60
1872	0.75	0.60
1873, no arrows	0.80	0.75
1873, with arrows	0.65	0.60
1874	0.65	0.60
1875	0.65	0.60
1876	0.65	0.60
1877	0.65	0.60
1878	0.65	0.60
1879 to 1884, proofs	0.65	0.60

QUARTER DOLLARS.

1796, fillet head	8.00	4.00
1804	7.00	3.00
1805	3.00	1.50
1806	2.00	1.00
1807	2.50	1.25
1815, head to left	3.00	2.00
1818	1.00	0.75
1819	1.50	1.00
1820	1.00	0.75
1821	1.00	0.75
1822	2.00	1.00
1823	30.00	25.00
1824	2.00	1.00
1825	1.00	0.75
1827	50.00	40.00
1828	1.50	1.00
1831	0.75	0.50
1832	1.50	1.00
1833	0.75	0.50
1834	0.75	0 50
1835	0.75	0.50
1836	0.75	0.50
1837	0.75	0.50
1838	0.75	0.50
1838, Liberty seated	0.75	0.50
1839	0.75	0.50
1840	0.75	0.50

QUARTER DOLLARS—Continued.

(V. Fine.)	Sell.	Buy.
1841	$0.75	$0.50
1842	0.75	0.50
1843	0.75	0.50
1844	0.75	0.50
1845	0.75	0.50
1846	0.75	0.50
1847	0.75	0.50
1848	1.00	0.75
1849	0.75	0.50
1850	0.75	0.50
1851	0.80	0.60
1852	0.80	0.60
1853, no arrows	10.00	8.00
1853, with arrows	0.50	0.40
1854	0.50	0.40
1855	0.50	0.40
1856, no arrows	0.40	0.35
1857	0.40	0.35
1858	0.40	0.35
1859	0.40	0.35
1860	0.40	0.35
1861	0.40	0.35
1862	0.40	0.35
1863	0.40	0.35
1864	0.60	0.50
1865	0.75	0.60
1866	0 80	0.60
1867	0.75	0.60
1868	0.60	0.50
1869	0.50	0.40
1870	0.50	0.40
1871	0.50	0.40
1872	0.40	0.35
1873, no arrows	0.50	0.40
1873, with arrows	0.40	0.35
1874	0.40	0.35
1875	0.40	0.35
1876	0.40	0.35
1877	0.40	0.35
1878	0.40	0.35
1879 to 1884, proofs	0.40	0.35

TWENTY-CENT PIECES.

1875, Liberty seated	0.40	0.30
1876 " "	0.60	0.50
1877 " "	5.00	3.00
1878 " "	4.00	2.00

DIMES.

1796, fillet head	4.00	2.00
1797, 13 stars	6.00	3.00
1797, 16 "	8.00	4.00
1798, fillet head	6.00	3.00
1800	8.00	5.00
1801	6.00	4.50
1802	10.00	6.00
1803	4.00	2.50
1804	12 00	10 00
1805	1.50	0.75
1807	2 00	1.00
1809, head to left	3.00	2.00
1811	3.00	2.00
1814	1 00	0.60
1820	0.75	0.40
1821	0.75	0.40
1822	6 00	3.00
1823	1.00	0.50
1824	2 00	1.50
1825	1 00	0.60
1827	0.50	0.40
1828	1 00	0.75
1829	0.60	0.40
1830	0 40	0 25
1831	0.40	0.25
1832	0.60	0.40
1833	0.40	0.25
1834	0.10	0.25
1835	0.40	0.25
1836	0.40	0.25
1837	0.40	0.25
1837, Liberty seated	0.40	0.25
1838, no stars	0.50	0.40
1838, with stars	0.40	0.25
1839	0.40	0.25
1840	0.40	0.30
1841	0.40	0.25
1842	0.40	0.25
1843	0.40	0.25

DIMES—Continued.

(V. Fine.)	Sell.	Buy.
1841	$0.60	$0.40
1845	0.40	0.25
1846	2.00	1.50
1847	0.40	0.30
1848	0.30	0.25
1849	0.30	0.25
1850	0.30	0.25
1851	0.30	0.25
1852	0.30	0.25
1853, no arrows	0.50	0.40
1853, with arrows	0.20	0.15
1854	0.20	0.15
1855	0.20	0.15
1856	0.20	0.15
1857	0.20	0.15
1858	0.20	0.15
1859	0.20	0.15
1860	0.20	0.15
1860, with stars	0.50	0.40
1861	0.20	0.15
1862	0.20	0.15
1863	0.40	0.30
1864	0.40	0.25
1865	0.60	0.40
1866	0.60	0.40
1867	0.50	0.30
1868	0.30	0.25
1869	0.25	0.20
1870	0.20	0.15
1871	0.20	0.15
1872	0.20	0.15
1873, no arrows	0.30	0.20
1873, with arrows	0.20	0.15
1874	0.20	0.15
1875	0.20	0.15
1876	0.20	0.15
1877	0.20	0.15
1878	0.20	0.15
1879 to 1884, proofs	0.20	0.15

HALF DIMES.

1794, flowing hair	6.00	4.00
1795, " "	2.00	1.00
1796, 15 stars	6.00	4.00
1797, 15 "	5.00	3.00
1797, 16 "	4.00	2.00
1800, fillet head	2.00	1.50
1801	5.00	3.00
1802	125.00	80.00
1803	5.00	3.00
1805	6.00	4.00
1829, head to left	0.25	0.15
1830	0.25	0.15
1831	0.25	0.15
1832	0.25	0.15
1833	0.25	0.15
1834	0.25	0.15
1835	0.20	0.10
1836	0.20	0.10
1837	0.20	0.10
1837, Liberty seated	0.20	0.10
1838, no stars	1.00	0.75
1838, with stars	0.30	0.25
1839	0.20	0.10
1840	0.20	0.10
1841	0.20	0.10
1842	0.30	0.10
1843	0.20	0.10
1844	0.30	0.20
1845	0.20	0.10
1846	2.00	1.50
1847	0.20	0.10
1848	0.20	0.10
1849	0.20	0.10
1850	0.20	0.10
1851	0.20	0.10
1852	0.30	0.20
1853, no arrows	0.30	0.25
1853, with arrows	0.20	0.10
1854	0 20	0.10
1855	0.20	0.10
1856, no arrows	0.20	0.10
1857	0.20	0.10
1858	0.20	0.10
1859	0.20	0.10
1860	0.20	0.10
1861	0.20	0.10
1862	0.20	0.10
1863	0.25	0.20

HALF DIMES—Continued.

(V. Fine.)	Sell.	Buy.
1864	$0.30	$0.20
1865	0.50	0.40
1866	0.50	0.30
1867	0.40	0.30
1868	0.30	0 20
1869	0.20	0.10
1870	0.20	0.10
1871	0.20	0.10
1872	0.20	0.10
1873	0.30	0.20

SILVER THREE-CENT PIECES.

1851	0.15	0.10
1852	0.15	0.10
1853	0.15	0.10
1854	0.20	0.15
1855	0.50	0.30
1856	0.15	0.10
1857	0 25	0.15
1858	0.15	0.10
1859	0.10	0.08
1860	0.10	0.08
1861	0.10	0.08
1862	0.10	0.08
1863	0.75	0.50
1864	0.75	0.50
1865	0.75	0.50
1866	0.75	0.50
1867	0.75	0.50
1868	0.75	0.50
1869	1.75	0.50
1870	1.25	0.15
1871	1.25	0.15
1872	1.25	0.15
1873	2.00	1.50

NICKEL FIVE-CENT PIECES.

	Proofs.	Fine.
1866	0.15	0.10
1867, with rays	0.15	0.10
1867, without rays	0.15	0.10
1868	0.15	0.10
1869	0.15	0.10
1870	0.15	0.10
1871	0.15	0.10
1872	0.15	0.10
1873	0.15	0.10
1874	0.15	0.10
1875	0.20	0.15
1876	0.15	0.10
1877	2.30	1.20
1878	0.40	0.25
1879	0.12	0.10

NICKEL THREE-CENT PIECES.

1865	0.15	0.08
1866	0.15	0.08
1867	0.15	0.08
1868	0.15	0.08
1869	0.15	0.08
1870	0.15	0.08
1871	0.15	0.08
1872	0.15	0.08
1873	0.15	0.08
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1878	0.25	0.20
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TWO-CENT PIECES.

1864	0.20	0.10
1865	0.20	0.10
1866	0.20	0.10
1867	0.15	0.10
1868	0.15	0.10
1869	0.15	0.08
1870	0.15	0.08
1871	0.25	0.15
1872	0.50	0.40
1873	1.75	0.75

COPPER CENTS.

(V. Fine.)	Sell.	Buy.
1793, chain America	$20.00	$12.00
1793, " "	10.00	6.00
1793, wreath	8.00	5.00
1793, lettered edge	9.00	6.00
1793, liberty cap	15.00	8.00
1794, " "	1.50	0.75
1795, " lettered edge	2.50	1.00
1795, " thin die	1.50	0.50
1796, " " "	2.00	0.75
1796, fillet head	2.00	1.00
1797	1.50	0.40
1798	1.00	0.25
1799	25.00	10.00
1800	1.00	0.50
1801	1.00	0.50
1802	0.50	0.25
1803	0.50	0.20
1804	10.00	6.00
1805	1.00	0.50
1806	1.25	0.75
1807	1.00	0.40
1808, head to left	2 00	0.75
1809	4.00	1.50
1810	1.50	0.40
1811	3.00	1.00
1812	1.00	0.25
1813	2.00	0.60
1814	0.75	0.25
1816	0.75	0.20
1817, 15 stars	1.50	0.40
1817, 13 "	0.50	0.20
1818	0.50	0.15
1819	0 50	0.15
1820	0.40	0.10
1821	1.50	0.40
1822	0.50	0.15
1823	2.00	0.50
1824	0.60	0.20
1825	0.50	0.20
1826	0.50	0.20
1827	0.60	0.20
1828	0.50	0.15
1829	0.75	0.20
1830	0.60	0.15
1831	0.50	0.10
1822	0.60	0.10
1833	0.50	0.10
1834	0.40	0.10
1835	0.50	0.10
1836	0.60	0.10
1837	0.40	0.10
1838	0.40	0.10
1839, silly head	1.00	0.50
1839, booby head	0.60	0.30
1839, head of 1838	0.50	0.10
1839, " " 1840	0.40	0.10
1840	0.40	0.10
1841	0.50	0.10
1842	0.40	0.10
1843	0.40	0.10
1843, reverse of 1844	0.60	0.25
1844	0.50	0.10
1845	0.40	0.10
1846	0.40	0.10
1847	0.40	0.10
1848	0.40	0.10
1849	0.40	0.10
1850	0.25	0.10
1851	0.25	0.10
1852	0.25	0.10
1853	0.20	0.05
1854	0.25	0.10
1855, slanting date	0.30	0.10
1855, straight "	0.25	0.10
1856	0.10	0.05
1857, large date	0.50	0.25
1857, small "	0.40	0.25

NICKEL AND BRONZE CENTS.

1856, eagle, nickel	3.00	2.50
1857	0.10	0.05
1858	0.10	0.05
1859, Indian head	0.10	0.05
1860	0.10	0.05
1861	0.10	0.05
1862	0.10	0.05
1863	0.10	0.05
1864	0.10	0.05
1864, bronze	0.05	0.03

NICKEL AND BRONZE CENTS — Continued.

(*V. Fine.*)	*Sell.*	*Buy.*
1865	$0.05	$0.03
1866	0.05	0.03
1867	0.05	0.03
1868	0.05	0.03
1869	0.05	0.03
1870	0.05	0.03
1871	0.05	0.03
1872	0.05	0.03
1873	0.05	0.03
1874	0.05	0.03
1875	0.05	0.03
1876	0.05	0.03
1877	0.10	0.05
1878	0.05	0.03
1879	0.05	0.03

HALF CENTS.

	Fine.	*Good.*
1793, liberty cap	5.00	2.50
1794, " "	2.50	1.50
1795, " lettered edge	3.00	1.50
1795, " thin die	2.00	1.00
1796, " cap	40.00	20.00
1797, " "	2.00	1.00
1797, " lettered edge	5.00	3.00
1800, fillet head	1.00	0.50
1802	5.00	3.00
1803	0.50	0.25
1804	0.25	0.10
1805	0.50	0.25
1806	0.50	0.25
1807	0.50	0.25
1808	0.50	0.25
1809, head to left	0.25	0.15
1810	2.50	1.00
1811	3.00	1.50
1825	0.40	0.20
1826	0.25	0.15
1828, 12 stars	0.40	0.20
1828, 13 "	0.20	0.10
1829	0.30	0.20
1831, proof	12.00	–
1832	0.20	0.15
1833	0.20	0.10
1834	0.20	0.10
1835	0.20	0.10
1838, (proof)	12.00	–
1840, "	8.00	–
1841, "	8.00	–
1842, "	15.00	–
1843, "	10.00	–
1844, "	10.00	–
1845, "	10.00	–
1846, "	10.00	–
1847, "	10.00	–
1848, "	8.00	–
1849, "	8.00	–
1849, large date	0.40	0.25
1850	0.30	0.20
1851	0.25	0.10
1852, (proof)	10.00	–
1853	0.15	0.10
1854	0.25	0.15
1855	0.25	0.15
1856	0.20	0.15
1857	0.30	0.25

GOLD DOUBLE EAGLES.

1350, head to left	25.00	23.00
1851	25.00	23.00
1852	25.00	23.00
1853	30.00	25.00
1854	23.00	22.50
1855-79 consecutive	22.00	21.75

GOLD EAGLES.

1795, head to left	15.00	13.00
1796, 16 stars	20.00	15.00
1797, " spread eagle,	15.00	13.00
1798, 13 stars, "	16.00	14.00
1799, " spread "	14.00	12.00
1800	14.00	13.00
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1803	15.00	13.00
1804	15.00	13.00
1838, head to left	15.00	13.00

GOLD EAGLES — Continued.

(*V. Fine.*)	*Sell.*	*Buy.*
1839	$15.00	$12.00
1840	15.00	12.00
1841	13.00	12.00
1842	13.00	12.00
1843-54, consecutive	12.00	11.00
1855-68, "	11.00	10.50

GOLD HALF EAGLES.

1795, head to right	10.00	8.00
1796, 16 stars	15.00	10.00
1797, " spread eagle,	12.00	10.00
1798, 13 stars, "	8.00	7.00
1799, " "	10.00	8.00
1800	10.00	8.00
1801	30.00	20.00
1802	10.00	8.00
1803	8.00	7.00
1804	8.00	7.00
1805	8.00	7.00
1806	8.00	7.00
1807	8.00	7.00
1808, head to left	8.00	7.00
1809	8.00	7.00
1810	8.00	7.00
1811	8.00	7.00
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1819	8.00	7.00
1820	8.00	7.00
1821	8.00	7.00
1822	8.00	7.00
1823-54, consecutive	6.00	5.75
1855-79, "	5.75	5.50

GOLD THREE DOLLARS.

1854, head to left	4.00	3.75
1855	3.75	3.50
1856	4.00	3.75
1857-79, consecutive	3.50	3.40

GOLD QUARTER EAGLES.

1796, without stars	8.00	6.00
1796, 16 stars	10.00	6.00
1797, 16 "	7.00	5.00
1798, 13 "	5.00	4.00
1802	6.00	5.00
1804	5.00	4.00
1805	5.00	4.00
1806	5.00	4.00
1807	5.00	4.00
1808, head to left	5.00	4.00
1821	5.00	4.00
1824	5.00	4.00
1825	5.00	4.00
1826	8.00	6.00
1827-49, consecutive	4.00	3.50
1850	3.25	3.00
1851	3.25	3.00
1852	3.25	3.00
1853-79, consecutive	3.00	2.80

PROOF GOLD DOLLARS.

1848, head to left	1.50	1.30
1850	1.50	1.30
1851	1.40	1.25
1852	1.40	1.25
1853-79, consecutive	1.40	1.25

WASHINGTON PIECES.

	Fine.
1776, button, G. W., 13 rings	2.00
1779, urn, "He is in glory," gold,	15.00
Head of Washington each side	0.50
Success to the U. S., brass	2.00
1873, Liberty seated, "United States"	0.60
1783, head larger, Liberty seated, "United States"	1.00
1783, head larger "Unity States"	0.50
1785, " "Confederatio"	50.00

WASHINGTON PIECES — Continued.

(*V. Fine.*)	*Sell.*
1791, cent, large eagle and scroll,	$6.00
1791, " small eagle, 8 stars	8.00
1791, " " " 6 "	15.00
1792, " " " 12 "	20.00
1792, " " " 15 "	20.00
1792, half dollar, small eagle, 15 stars, silver	50.00
1792, half dollar, large eagle, no stars, silver	50.00
1792, cent, head of Washington to right	30.00
1791, halfpenny, ship	5.00
1793, " "	2.50
" harp, North Wales,	3.00
1791, " ship, Liverpool	30.00
1793, " " "	2.50
1795, eagle, liberty and security,	5.00
No date, " " "	2.50
1795, eagle, smaller size, liberty and security	3.00
1795, London grate cent	2.00
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1732, Manley medal, ugly head	2.00
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1796, Gen. of the Am. armies, etc.,	3.00
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1792, cent. Lib. par. of Science,	50.00
1792, " smaller, " "	30.00
1792, " eagle on globe	5.00
1792, " no legend, eagle on globe	1.00
1854, cent, no stars	1.00
1855, " flying eagle, copper	1.00
1855, " " " brass	1.00
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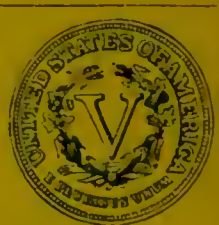

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